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In re application of:

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**Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for filing a Notice of Appeal be extended three (3) months, from June 1, 2010 to September 1, 2010, by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

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